

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

DENNIS JAMES MINNER,

Petitioner,

Case Number: 04-71772

v.

HON. LAWRENCE P. ZATKOFF

DOUGLAS VASBINDER,

Respondent.

**ORDER GRANTING PETITIONER'S MOTION TO ATTACH REBUTTAL
BRIEF TO RESPONDENT'S ANSWER OPPOSING PETITIONER'S
PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS**

Petitioner Dennis James Minner filed a *pro se* petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Respondent has filed an answer to the petition. Now before the Court is Petitioner's Motion to Attach Rebuttal Brief to Respondent's Answer, in which Petitioner asks the Court for permission to file a "rebuttal brief." Rule 5, Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases permits a petitioner to file a reply to the respondent's answer. The Court, therefore, shall allow Petitioner to file his "rebuttal brief."

Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED** that Petitioner's Motion to Attach Rebuttal Brief to Respondent's Answer is **GRANTED**.

s/Lawrence P. Zatkoff

LAWRENCE P. ZATKOFF

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: September 27, 2005